

Racial and Ethnic Disparities In Mecklenburg County

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Data Questions BI Recommends

- Are People of Color more likely to be arrested than White adults?
- Are People of Color more likely to have a case filed than White adults?
- Are People of Color more likely to be convicted?
- Are People of Color more likely to be booked into Jail than White adults?

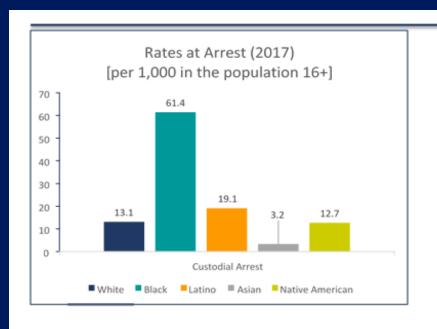


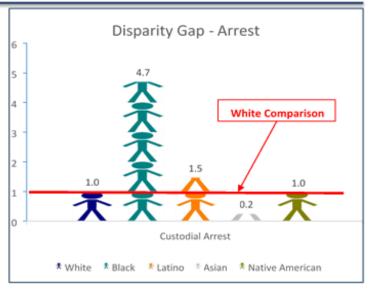
Mecklenburg County Demographic Shifts (1990-2017)

	White	Black	Latino	Asian	Native American	Total
1990	292,546	97,374	5,315	6,076	1,467	402,778
2017	428,165	267,946	96,005	52,563	3,075	847,754
%Change 1990-2017	46%	175%	1706%	765%	110%	110%



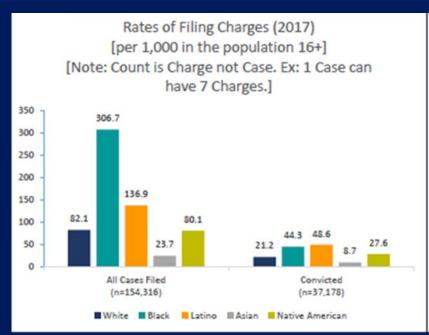
Likelihood of Being Arrested

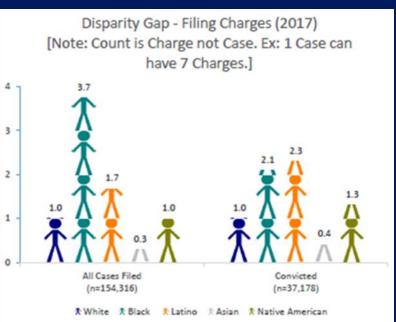






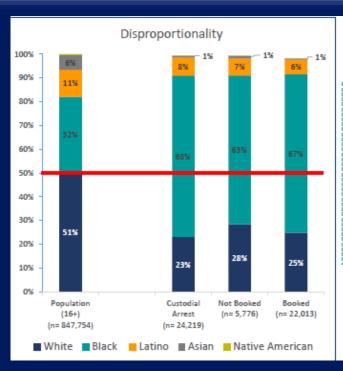
Disproportionality at Filing Charges







Disproportionality at Arrest and Booking



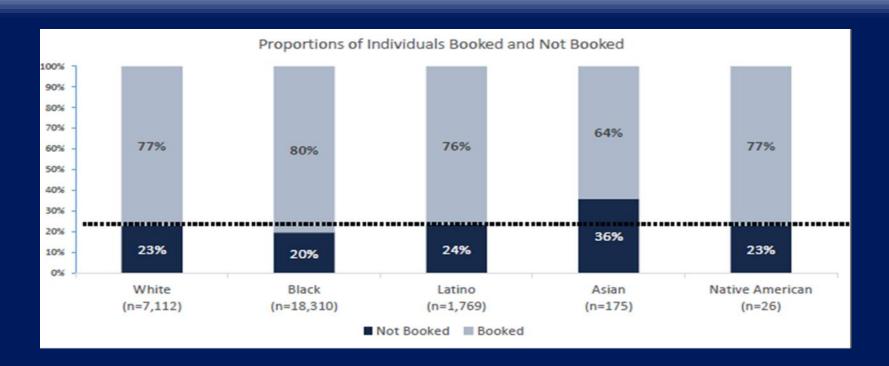
There is disproportionality at the decision points of arrest and booking.

<u>Arrests:</u> Black adults comprise 32% of the total population and comprise 68% of adults who are arrested.

<u>Jail booking:</u> Black adults comprise 32% of the total population and comprise 67% of adults who are booked into jail.

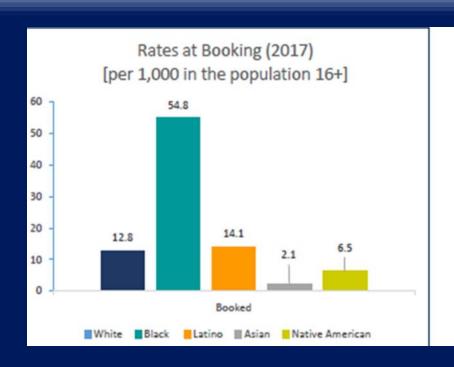


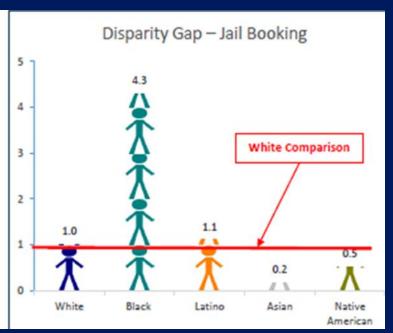
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Disproportionality at Booking







Are there racial/ethnic disparity gaps in the types of booking into jail?

Black individuals (16+) are more likely to be booked into jail.

Jail booking (total): For every 1 White individual who was booked into jail, 4.3 Black individuals were booked into jail.

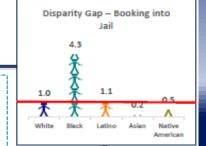
Additionally, there are disparities in the reason individuals are booked into jail.

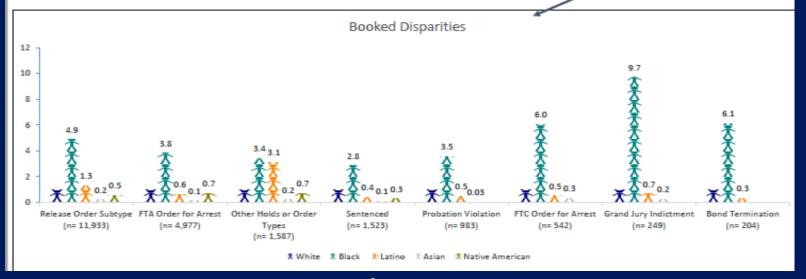
Probation Violation: For ever 1 White individual booked for a Probation Violation, 3.5 Black individuals were booked.

FTA Order: For ever 1 White individual booked for an FTA Order, 3.8 Black individuals were booked.

FTC Order: For ever 1 White individual booked for a FTC Order, 6 Black individuals were booked.

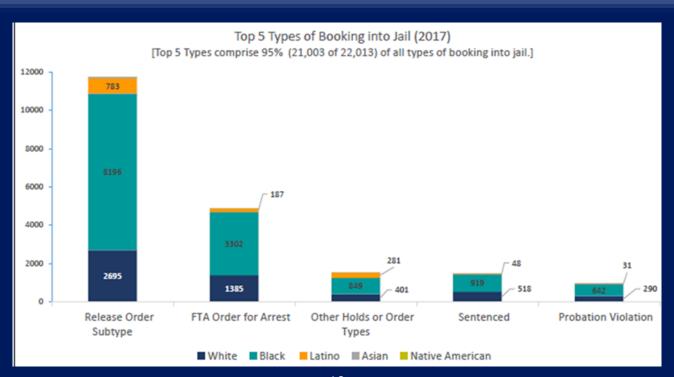
Other Holds: For ever 1 White individual booked for "Other Holds or Order Typed", 3.4 Black individuals were booked.







5 Types of Booking





Summary

- Filing Charges
- Proportions:
- There is disproportionality at the decision points of Filing Charges.
- The Black population (16+) comprises 32% of the total population, however, they represent 51% of all charges filed and 31% of all charges that receive a conviction.
- Rate:
- Black and Latino individuals (16+) are more likely to have Charges Filed than White individuals. For example, for every 1,000 White adults, 82.1 had charges filed. For every 1,000 Black adults, 306.7 had charges filed.
- Disparity Gap:
- For every 1 White individual (16+) with Charges Filed in 2017, 3.7 Black individuals had charges filed and 1.7 Latino individuals had charges filed.
- Additionally, Black adults were 2.1 times more likely and Latino adults were 2.3 times more likely to be convicted on charges, once they had charges filed, than White adults.